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	1,889,239	11/29/32	Crowley			
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	2,443,363	6/15/48	Townsend et al.			
	2,489,870	11/29/49	Dzus			
	2,494,229	1/10/50	Collison			
	2,526,959	10/24/50	Lorenzo			
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<i>CCS</i>	Dupont Distal Humeral Plates brochure, Howmedica Inc., 1990.					
<i>CCS</i>	The Arnett-TMP* Titanium Miniplating System brochure, Techmedica, Inc., 1989.					
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	3,025,853	3/20/62	Mason				
	3,072,423	1/8/63	Charlton				
	3,171,518	3/2/65	Bergmann				
	3,488,779	1/13/70	Christensen				
	3,489,143	1/13/70	Halloran				
	3,593,709	7/20/71	Halloran				
	3,604,414	9/14/71	Borges				
	3,716,050	2/13/73	Johnston				
	3,866,458	2/18/75	Wagner				
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OTHER DOCUMENTS							
ccs	Techmedica Bioengineers Keep Tabs on Your Needs brochure, Techmedica, Inc., 1991.						
ccs	A Comparison of Unicortical and Bicortical End Screw Attachment of Fracture Fixation Plates, Beaupre et al., <u>Journal of Orthopaedic Trauma</u> , Vol. 6, No. 3, pp. 294-300, 1992.						
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	3,939,497	2/24/76	Heimke et al.				
	3,965,720	6/29/76	Goodwin et al.				
	4,187,840	2/12/80	Watanabe				
	4,187,841	2/12/80	Knutson				
	4,201,215	5/6/80	Crossett et al.				
	4,364,382	12/21/82	Mennen				
	4,388,921	6/21/83	Sutter et al.				
	4,408,601	10/11/83	Wenk				
	4,457,307	7/3/84	Stillwell				
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CCJ	Ace 4.5/5.0 mm Titanium Cannulated Screw and Reconstruction Plate System surgical technique brochure, Ace Medical Company, 1992.						
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	4,683,878	8/4/87	Carter				
	4,703,751	11/3/87	Pohl				
	4,718,413	1/12/88	Johnson				
	4,736,737	4/12/88	Fargie et al.				
	4,743,261	5/10/88	Epinette				
	4,750,481	6/14/88	Reese				
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CCP	Ace Titanium 3.5/4.0 mm Screw and Plate System with the Ace 3.5 mm Universal Ribbon CT/MRI compatible fixation brochure, Ace Medical Company, 1992.						
CCP	Treatment of Three- and Four-Part Fractures of the Proximal Humerus with a Modified Cloverleaf Plate, Esser, Journal of Orthopaedic Trauma, Vol. 8, No. 1, pp. 15-22, 1994.						
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COB	4,759,350	7/26/88	Dunn et al.				
	4,760,843	8/2/88	Fischer et al.				
	4,823,780	4/25/89	Odensten et al.				
	4,892,093	1/9/90	Zamowski et al.				
	4,893,619	1/16/90	Dale et al.				
	4,903,691	2/27/90	Heinl				
	4,926,847	5/22/90	Luckman				
	4,943,292	7/24/90	Foux				
	4,955,886	9/11/90	Pawluk				
✓	4,957,497	9/18/90	Hoogland et al.				
COB	4,963,153	10/16/90	Noesberger et al.				
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COB	2406429	5/18/79	France				XX
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COB	Ace Symmetry Titanium Upper Extremity Plates surgical technique brochure, Ace Medical Company, 1996.						
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	4,973,332	11/27/90	Kummer			
	4,988,350	1/29/91	Herzberg			
	5,002,544	3/26/91	Klaue et al.			
	5,006,120	4/9/91	Carter			
	5,015,248	5/14/91	Burstein et al.			
	5,041,113	8/20/91	Biedermann et al.			
	5,042,983	8/27/91	Rayhack			
	5,049,149	9/17/91	Schmidt			
	5,053,036	10/1/91	Perren et al.			
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CCD	2674118	9/25/92	France			XX
CCD	2515430	11/13/75	Germany			XX
OTHER DOCUMENTS						
CCD	Small Titanium Plates overview page, Synthes, p. 2a-33, March 1997.					
CCD	Congruent Distal Radius Plate System description, Acumed, Inc., March 4, 1998.					
CCD	Salvage of Tibial Pilon Fractures Using Fusion of the Ankle with a 90° Cannulated Blade Plate: A Preliminary Report, Morgan et al., <u>Foot &amp; Ankle International</u> , Vol. 20, No. 6, pp. 375-378, June 1999.					
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	5,139,497	8/18/92	Tilghman et al.			
	5,151,103	9/29/92	Tepic et al.			
	5,161,404	11/10/92	Hayes			
	5,176,685	1/5/93	Rayhack			
	5,190,544	3/2/93	Chapman et al.			
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	5,197,966	3/30/93	Sommerkamp			
	5,201,737	4/13/93	Leibinger et al.			
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CCP	4201531	7/22/93	Germany			XX
CCP	4343117	6/22/95	Germany			XX
OTHER DOCUMENTS						
CCP	Scaphoid Protocols Using the Acutrak® Bone Screw System brochure, Toby, published by Acumed, Inc., December 7, 1999.					
CCP	Single Unit Osteosynthesis brochure, Surfix Technologies, September 2000.					
CCP	Supracondylar Cable Plate brochure, Biomet Orthopedics, Inc., 2000.					
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ces	5,290,288	3/1/94	Vignaud et al.			
	5,304,180	4/19/94	Slocum			
	5,314,490	5/24/94	Wagner et al.			
	5,364,398	11/15/94	Chapman et al.			
	5,364,399	11/15/94	Lowery et al.			
	5,380,327	1/10/95	Eggers et al.			
	5,413,577	5/9/95	Pollock			
	5,443,516	8/22/95	Albrektsson et al.			
	5,468,242	11/21/95	Reisberg			
	5,474,553	12/12/95	Baumgart			
ces	5,487,741	1/30/96	Maruyama et al.			
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ces	610518	6/15/78	Soviet Union			XX
ces	718097	2/28/80	Soviet Union			XX
OTHER DOCUMENTS						
ces	Principle-Based Internal Fixation of Distal Humerus Fractures, Sanchez-Sotelo et al., <u>Techniques in Hand &amp; Upper Extremity Surgery</u> , Vol. 5, No. 4, pp. 179-187, December 2001.					
ces	Congruent Plate System - The Mayo Clinic Congruent Elbow Plates brochure, Acumed, Inc., May 7, 2002.					
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Ced	5,487,743	1/30/96	Laurain et al.			
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	5,534,027	7/9/96	Hodorek			
	5,545,228	8/13/96	Kambin			
	5,564,302	10/15/96	Watrous			
	5,578,036	11/26/96	Stone et al.			
	5,591,166	1/7/97	Bernhardt et al.			
	5,643,261	7/1/97	Schafer et al.			
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Ced	5,647,872	7/15/97	Gilbert et al.			
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Ced	862937	9/15/81	Soviet Union			XX
Ced	897233	1/15/82	Soviet Union			XX
OTHER DOCUMENTS						
Ced	Modular Hand System brochure, Acumed, Inc., August 2002.					
	Modular Hand System brochure, Acumed, Inc., September 2002.					
	Periarticular Plating System brochure, Zimmer, Inc., 2002.					
Ced	Jplate Diaphysis Plates for Japanese brochure, Mizuho Co., Ltd., 2002.					
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CCS	5,662,655	9/2/97	Laboureau et al.			
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	5,681,313	10/28/97	Diez			
	5,702,396	12/30/97	Hoenig et al.			
	5,707,372	1/13/98	Errico et al.			
	5,707,373	1/13/98	Sevrain et al.			
	5,709,682	1/20/98	Medoff			
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CCS	1049054	10/23/83	Soviet Union			XX
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OTHER DOCUMENTS						
CCS	An Axially Mobile Plate for Fracture Fixation, Abel et al., <u>Internal Fixation in Osteoporotic Bone</u> , pp. 279-283, 2002.					
↓	The Use of Interlocked 'Customised' Blade Plates in the Treatment of Metaphyseal Fractures in Patients with Poor Bone Stock, Palmer et al., <u>Injury, Int. J. Care Injured</u> , Vol. 31, pp. 187-191, 2002.					
CCS	3.5 mm LCPTM Proximal Humerus Plate technique guide, Synthes (USA), 2002.					
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	5,730,743	3/24/98	Kirsch et al.				
	5,733,287	3/31/98	Tepic et al.				
	5,735,853	4/7/98	Olerud				
	5,741,258	4/21/98	Klaue et al.				
	5,741,259	4/21/98	Chan				
	5,749,872	5/12/98	Kyle et al.				
	5,749,873	5/12/98	Fairley				
	5,752,958	5/19/98	Wellisz				
	5,772,662	6/30/98	Chapman et al.				
ccs	5,807,396	9/15/98	Raveh				
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ccs	1192806	11/23/85	Soviet Union			XX	
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OTHER DOCUMENTS							
ccs	Titanium Wire Plate Osteosynthesis System According to Dr. Gahr internet printout, Erothitan Titanimplantate AG, print date February 6, 2003.						
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	5,871,548	2/16/99	Sanders et al.				
	5,879,389	3/9/99	Koshino				
	5,916,216	6/29/99	DeSatnick et al.				
	5,904,683	5/18/99	Pohndorf et al.				
	5,919,195	7/6/99	Wilson et al.				
	5,931,839	8/3/99	Medoff				
ces	5,938,664	8/17/99	Winqvist et al.				
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ces	The Use of a Locking Custom Contoured Blade Plate for Peri-Articular Nonunions, Harvey et al., Injury, Int. J. Care Injured, Vol. 34, pp. 111-116, 2003.						
	Salvage of Distal Tibia Metaphyseal Nonunions With the 90° Cannulated Blade Plate, Chin et al., Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research, No. 409, pp. 241-249, 2003.						
ces	Rib Securing Clamped Plate internet printout, Sanatmetal, print date September 22, 2004.						
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	6,001,099	12/14/99	Huebner				
	6,004,323	12/21/99	Park et al.				
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CCS	Acromio-Clavicular Plates description page, author and date unknown.						
	ECT Internal Fracture Fixation brochure, Zimmer, Inc., undated.						
	ECT Internal Fracture Fixation System order information brochure, Zimmer, Inc., undated.						
CCS	NexGen Osteotomy System (OS) surgical technique brochure, Zimmer, Inc., undated.						
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CCS	Spider™ and Mini-Spider™ Limited Wrist Fusion System brochure, Kinetics Medical Incorporated, undated.						
CCS	Spider™ Limited Wrist Fusion System brochure, Kinetics Medical Incorporated, undated.						
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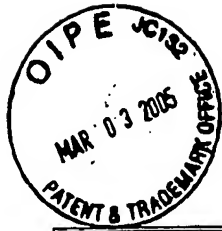
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




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